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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kunio GOTO

Art Unit: 1762

Application No.: 10/829,292

Examiner: Jolley, K.

Filed: April 22, 2004

Attorney Dkt. No.: 12014-0017DV

For: THREADED JOINT FOR STEEL PIPES AND PROCESS FOR THE SURFACE
TREATMENT THEREOF

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 24, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2006, please amend the application as follows: